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feeling of startled surprise in being confronted with such familiar personages as Cooper Hawk, Anthony Green Heron, and the like. Omission of the apostrophe and final s is a great convenience in the preparation of manuscript, but at first sight a list looks bob-tailed without them. We would not be sorry, however, to have Mr. Grinnell's system prevail. It is hard for one to appreciate the great difficulties which must be overcome before anything like a complete or correct list of the birds of a state situated like California can be made. The Cooper Club gives evidence, in this list, of the stuff of which it is made and of the men who compose its membership. Mr. Grinnell proves his right to a place at the top.

THE BIRD CALENDAR, by Clarence Moores Weed. The Nature Calendar Series. Rand, McNally & Co., Publishers, Chicago, New York, London.

In this Bird Calendar Professor Weed recognizes "that the most important part of Nature Study in schools is to get the pupil to see for himself and to record his observations accurately." This Calendar is designed to meet the need for some guide to the young student of Nature. First of all a list of 80 species is printed, with space at the bottom of each page for several more to be written in if necessary, with space at the right for recording the date of arrival and the date of nesting of each species. The right-hand page is reserved for remarks. Following this list for migration and nesting records, a half-page is given for records for each day from March 15th to June 30th. For each day two lines are given to each of the following: New arrivals; New nests; I saw these birds to-day; I recognized the voices of these. At the close of each month space is left for a summary of the month. The last nine pages contain directions for "Observations on Nest." The Calendar is in good form for permanent preservation and should prove a valuable aid in the Nature Study work in the schools. Single copies are 10 cents; per dozen \$1; per hundred \$7.

OUR BIRDS IN THEIR HAUNTS. Rev. J. Hibbert Langille, M. A. Published by the Author at Kensington, Md.

This well known book, written from the standpoint of a true lover of the birds and all Nature besides, comes to us in a new dress which adds to its attractive appearance. A better binding than the old style makes a volume which school children can use without fear of tearing it to pieces at once. It is a book well adapted, for the most part, for use as a reader in the middle and higher grades, tending strongly to stimulate intelligent study of the birds in particular and Nature in general. The keen sym-